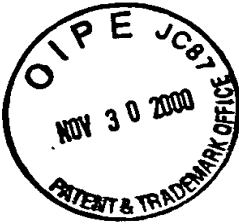


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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled HIGH SPEED INFORMATION PROCESSING AND MASS STORAGE SYSTEM AND METHOD, PARTICULARLY FOR INFORMATION AND APPLICATION SERVERS, the specification of which (check one)

___ is attached hereto

X was filed on June 12, 2000

As United States Application Number 09/592,572,
and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information
which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a) - (d)
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§365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Number	Country	Day/Mo./Yr. Filed	Priority Claimed	
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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Inventor's signature: 

Date: 10/16, 2000

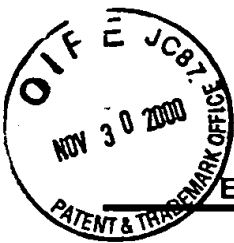
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL
ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

Applicant or Patentee: RICHARD DELLACONA
Application or Patent No. Serial No. 09/592,572
Filed: June 12, 2000
Title: HIGH SPEED INFORMATION PROCESSING AND MASS STORAGE
SYSTEM AND METHOD, PARTICULARLY FOR INFORMATION AND
APPLICATION SERVERS

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with the title as listed above.
- ☒ the application identified above.
- ☐ the patent identified above.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under or may be under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in invention is listed below:

- ☐ No such person, concern or organization
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☐ Individual ☒ Small Business Concern ☐ Nonprofit organization

Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statement made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

RICHARD DELLACONA

NAME OF INVENTOR

Richard Dellacona

Signature of Inventor

Date:

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL
ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(c)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

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Applicant or Patentee: RICHARD DELLACONA
Application or Patent No. Serial No. 09/592,572
Filed: June 12, 2000
Title: HIGH SPEED INFORMATION PROCESSING AND MASS STORAGE SYSTEM AND METHOD,
PARTICULARLY FOR INFORMATION AND APPLICATION SERVERS

I hereby declare that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern
identified below:

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ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: 5 Whatney, Irvine, California 92618-2806

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with the title as listed above.
☒ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention must file separate verified statements averring to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

- ☒ no such person, concern, or organization exists.
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